

Oath/Declaration

The Applicants have submitted a supplemental declaration herewith, as requested by the Examiner, which contains full particulars of the Canadian priority application.

Information Disclosure Statement

The Applicants are submitting a revised Information Disclosure Statement in order to address the issues raised by the Examiner.

Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner noted that it was unclear if the controller also coordinates rotational speed. The Applicants have addressed the Examiner's concerns by specifying in the claim language that the controllers does control rotational speed of the rotational drive.

In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in a condition for allowance. The Applicants, therefore, request reconsideration and the issue of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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